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In re Patent Application of:								
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For:	METHOD FOR REMOVAL OF PERMEATE GASES FROM A FLEXIBLE TUBULAR PIPE AND PIPE EMBODIED FOR CARRYING OUT THE SAME							
Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450								
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT								
Sir: Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the application as follows:								
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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

- 1. $\sqrt{}$ If checked, an abstract is submitted herewith.
- 2. ___ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
- 3. $\sqrt{}$ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
- 4. $\sqrt{\ }$ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.

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